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JING C. CHANG ET. AL.

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CONFIRMATION NO.: 3588

GROUP ART UNIT: 1732

EXAMINER: PATRICK NEAL BUTLER

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FOR: PROCESS FOR PREPARING POLY(TRIMETHYLENE TEREPHTHALATE)
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This invention is based upon the unexpected discovery that bulk continuous filament can be formed by a process wherein drawing the filaments is carried out at a speed of greater than 3000 meters per minute using poly(trimethylene terephthalate) having the claimed properties. Applicants hereby call to the U.S. Patent Office's attention that polymers having the claim viscosity, number average molecular weight and melt viscosity have been sold by DuPont, the assignee, more than one year prior to the filing of this patent application. In addition, DuPont offered, and may have sold, such polymers to manufacturers of carpet. Prior to the claimed invention various patents have described that draw speeds *greater* than 3000 meters per minute and have described poly(trimethylene terephthalate) having broad properties ranges. However, upon review of the examples of those patents applicants found that in making poly(trimethylene terephthalate) bulk continuous filament draw speeds *less* than 3000 meters per minutes were used. In addition, it was found that many of the patent examples directed to making poly(trimethylene terephthalate) bulk continuous filament describe use of poly(trimethylene terephthalate) with lower viscosities.

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